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The League of Conservation Voters released the 2008 National Environmental Scorecard where Congressman Russ Carnahan (D-MO) received a 92% this year and a lifetime voting record of 92%. In the face of unstable gas prices, unrest around the world, and increasing global warming pollution, Congressman Carnahan was recognized for his work to reduce U.S. dependence on foreign oil among other environmental initiatives.

House leadership with the support of Congressman Carnahan drafted a comprehensive, compromise energy bill to allow offshore drilling while maintaining protections and combining it with a Renewable Electricity Standard, building efficiency standards, and clean energy tax credits.

“The union of renewable energy and energy efficiency with the built environment will not only generate new jobs and new technology, but it will help to immediately address global climate change,” said Carnahan.

To find the complete LCV Report Card visit: <http://lcv.org/scorecard/>

As Senior Whip, Carnahan repeatedly fought to repeal billions of dollars of subsidies for oil companies who are experiencing record profits and to instead shift that money to clean, renewable energy. Earlier this year Congressman Carnahan and Congresswoman Judy Biggert (R-IL) announced the creation of the bipartisan Congressional High Performance Buildings Caucus.

“Through a new and more sustainable approach to designing, constructing, and operating new buildings and retrofitting and operating older buildings, we can address and reduce the numerous and varied environmental, climate, health, and economic impacts that result from our homes and buildings,” said Carnahan.

The Caucus highlights solutions and concepts that encourage the building industry to plan, design, and maintain buildings that will provide the best present and future environmental, economic, and social benefits.